

MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW (EXCERPT)
Act 116 of 1954

168.497 Application for registration; validity of registrations; execution; filing; notice; exception.

Sec. 497. (1) A person who is not registered but possesses the qualifications of an elector as set forth in section 492, may apply for registration to the clerk of the county, township, city, or village in which he or she resides on a day other than Saturday, Sunday, a legal holiday, or the day of a regular, primary, school, or special election. Registrations accepted between the thirtieth day preceding an election and the day of the election, unless the thirtieth day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, in which event registration shall be accepted during the following day, are not valid for the election but are valid for subsequent regular, primary, school, or special elections that are held so that not less than 30 days intervene between the date the person registered and the date of the election.

(2) Except as otherwise provided in sections 499a to 499c, 500a to 500j, and 504, an application for registration shall not be executed at a place other than the office of the county, township, city, or village clerk or a public place or places designated by the clerk or deputy registrar for receiving registrations, but the clerk or deputy registrar may receive an application wherever he or she may be. If a county, township, city, or village clerk does not regularly keep his or her office open daily during certain hours, the clerk shall not be required to be at his or her office for the purpose of receiving applications for registration on a particular day nor during specific hours of a day, except as provided in section 498. Registrations taken after the time of closing registrations before an election need not be processed until the date immediately following that election. A registration shall not be placed in a precinct registration file until the date immediately following that election. If a person registers at a time that registrations are closed for an election, the person shall be given a notice, signed by the clerk, on a form developed by the secretary of state, informing him or her that he or she is not eligible to vote in the election and indicating the first date on which he or she is eligible to vote. Except as provided in sections 500a to 500j, the provisions of this section relating to registration shall apply.

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